WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1852.

The Whig Convention and its Nomince. sectional animosity, or the wish to conduct a canvass with reference to personal feeling. We may have yielded to such things in times past, but those times are passed, with us, at least, never to return. If, then, in the candid review which we may take of

local questions, generally speaking, are liable to be got out against Gen. Cass is, that there is now in the forgotten in the absorbing interest which attaches to possession of Mr. Nicholson of Tennessee, a "letter national politics. But the present position of affairs from Gen. Cass containing his reasons for not voting in North-Carolina is peculiar, and so much of the for the Fugitive Slave Law. He said he could not political and social future of the State is, in some vote for such a bill without the Jury clause." That measure, dependent upon the result of the August is, a clause giving the fugitive the right to a trial by elections, that we believe they will assert their pro- a jury in the place in which he may be found and per position, and exert their due influence, indepen- where the claim is made, which would practically

Raleigh on the 26th ult., nominated John Kerr, Esq., | respondent of the New York Evening Post, a Free of Caswell, as the candidate of the Whig party for Soil paper, and is now going the rounds of the Whig the office of Governor of North-Carolina; and then press. passed a series of resolutions, the 7th of which reads | To show what color of truth, reason or probabilias follows:

7. Resolved. That in the opinion of this Convention, when- General Cass' avowals and votes upon this point. ever amendments are to be made to our State Constitution. they should be effected by a Convention of the people, electfavor of submitting it to the people to say whether such a Convention shall be called or not, for the purpose of making amendments to our Constitution.

This we quote, because it is, in fact, the only resolution having any direct bearing upon State poli- so far as they were applicable, should be preserved, and that agree perfectly with his vote. He considered such a other than madness, or end but in darker defeat and tics : and because, also, it is couched in nearly the same terms with that resolution of the first New Hanover Whig meeting, which gave so much dissatisfaction, as to call for another and larger meeting. by which it was emphatically repudiated; that repudiation, we believe, being in accordance with the real sentiments of the great majority of both parties where he is arrested, that the claim may be adjudged by in the Eastern section of the State. It is the proted it when promulgated from the Masonic Hall, to say whether they will submissively bow to its au his residence thority, now that it has received the stamp of currency from the Raleigh Mint. It is their business.

of the subject. merits, if it really possesses any, and see what claims ly, it will be necessary to cast a slight glance over mendment. the previous course of the Whig party upon this subed to designate by the flattering appellation of Post. "Reid's Humbug," and other titles equally disre- On the same day, Mr. Dayton, a whig Senator spectful. To their surprise. Mr. Reid was almost from New Jersey, proposed to amend the bill by an elected, and they softened their tone a little, and, in amendment which contained the following proviso : the hope of making capital at the West, began to hint at the republicanism of a Convention, with sly allusions to such change in the basis as would give uncontrolled power to that section. The very imprudent course of Gov. Manly in the last canvass - shall be sworn to try the cause according to evidence, and to use no harsher form of expression- is known, and termine the competency of the proof. eratic majority in both branches of the Legislature, voted on that side-several voted for the Proviso. ed through the first stage in its progress to becoming Proviso: pullers became conscious of the error they had com- habeas corpus issued by any judge of any State or Unite ness to come out at once in favor of " Equal Sufthe darling project of their hearts -- the re-establish - writ is issued. ment of Whig power in the State; they have, which we have quoted from amongst those passed by pearing among those who voted for its rejection. the recent Convention. And such a platform. It tion of this State shall be altered unless by that mode. The right of a Convention to amend the Constitution is simply inferential, and being contrary to the

One thing is certain, this submitting it to the people to say whether there shall be a Convention or not, for the purpose of making amendments to the ring the height of the excitement last year, and a Constitution, is what might well be called "a new majority of them as immediate secession men, has for the State, no matter who may be the candidate ucation. kick." We go for as direct an appeal to the people adjourned after passing resolutions affirming the of the opposing party-as against Scott they are certution positively vests in two-thirds of the Legisla- immediate exercise. The changed position of things Scott would poll very nearly his party strength. it responsible for the use it may make of that pow- sion. er, and there is neither authority nor right in the legislators to change the Constitutional mode, and would be changing the Constitution a little too expe- Murphy, Esq., for the sum of \$7.650.

intended to flatter the people of the West with the as usual in the month of June. Our gardens are sufidea of a Convention; and the people of the East fering for rain. with the idea that none will be called. It will be said, as we have heard it said in this section, that the people are perfectly indifferent, and want neith- Fear, at the Bank Building last Monday, resulted in er Convention nor amendments. We have heard the the choice of the former Board-the same gentlevery contrary said in the West. Of the candor and men as before being chosen both on the part of the political honesty of this our readers may judge.

Of Mr. Kerr, the nominee. we have little to sayfrom what we have heard of him, we believe that, in private life, he is a talented and estimable gentle man. Whether he be for or against Equal Suffrage Wm. C. Bettencourt, Wm. N. Peden and James An--for or against a Convention, neither he nor the Convention has deigned to enlighten us The day There was no opposition. for mums is over. These questions must be answered, as well as one or two more, arising from his geographical position-he is a Caswell man; is he in favor of the Danville connection with our central road. The connecting link would intersect Caswell, and is much desired by the Caswellians .--Let us have light. As for his being a component part of the "Rally Click" that is neither here nor no good

there. It would seem that some member of that celebrated band must rule the Whig party and bear their banner, and why not Mr. Kerr as well as Mr. Manly ? The veterans say of a raw recruit that he Far be from us the desire to stir up anything like will make very good food for powder, and we presume Mr. Kerr will do as well to be defeated as any not especially allude to the compromise measures. body else. He is a very good speaker. Hurrah! the Campbells have come!

We are by no means warm partizans or any kind the action of parties, something should be introduced of partizans to Gen. Cass, as a candidate for the calculated to convey a contrary impression, the facts nomination of the Baltimore Democratic Convention. and circumstances of the case should alone be held but we deem it a duty to expose bald-faced slanders responsible, and not our straight-forward course in against him or any other prominent Democrat, or indeed any other prominent statesman, whose reputa-It is true, that in a State canvass so immediately tion belongs to the country, and may fairly be lookpreceding that for the Presidency, State issues and ed upon as common property. The latest slander dent of the causes which generally overrule them. be equivalent to a denial of justice to the claimant. The Whig State Convention, which assembled at This is stated on the authority of a Washington cor-

ty is attached to this, it is only necessary to turn to

On the 19th day of August, 1850, the Senate haved on the basis of the House of Commons; and we are in ing under consideration the Fugitive Slave Bill.

"When this subject was before the Compromise Committee there was a general wish, and in that I fully concurred, that the main features of the act of 1793 upon this subject, ccd by way of amendment. The law was approved by Washington, and has now been in force for sixty years, and lays prepared to adhere :

1. The right of the master to arrest his fugitive slave wherever he may find him. "2. His duty to carry him before a magistrate in the State

"3. The duty of the magistrate to examine the claim, and vince of those gentlemen who indignantly repudia- to decide it, like other examining magistrates, without a ju ry, and then commit him to the custody of the master. 4. The right of the master then to remove the slaves to

peace throughout the Union was required to execute the du-ties under it. Since then, as we all know, the Supreme Court has decided that justices of the peace cannot be called upon readers farther at this time. and not ours, and we for bear remark upon that branch most everywhere refused to do so. The master, seeking his slave, found his remedy a good one at the time, but now very But let us consider the resolution upon its own ineffectual; and this effect is one that imperiously requires remedy. And this remedy I am willing to provide, fairly and honestly, and to make such other provisions as may be it can urge upon the consideration of independent proper and necessary. But I desire for myself that the oriand thinking men. To understand the case proper- ginal act shall remain upon the statute book, and that the jority of 63! Just sixty-three, neither more nor less. changes shown to be necessary should be made by way of a-

" Provided, That if the fugitive shall deny that he owes the commissioner or judge shall preside at the trial, and de-

it is also known that in his eager effort to sit between This amendment was defeated by a vote of 11 year tain a seat as one of the Senators from a State whose two stools he fell to the ground, and his party with to 27 nays. Four Northern Democrats voted in the views he no longer represented. him, and Mr. Reid became Governor Reid, the first negative-Cass, Dodge of Iowa, Jones and Sturgeon Democrat under the new Constitution, with a Demo- Not a single Whig Senator from a Northern State

although it is more than probable that general poli- Again : on the same day Mr. Winthrop, formerly fics contributed largely to produce the latter result. Whig Speaker of the House of Representatives, pro-At any rate, "Reid's humbug," as it is called, pass- posed to amend the bill by adding thereto the follow-

ing a part of the Constitution. The Whig wire- Provided, however, that no certificate of any commis ioner, as herein provided for, shall be an answer to a writ of mitted, and would gladly have retraced their steps | States court who may be authorized by law to issue the said if it had been possible, but they had not the manliness to come out at once in favor of "Found Sufty claimed as a fugitive of his right to said writ of habea

This amendment would also have had the effect of therefore, taken up their position upon the platform. defeating the objects designed to be effected by the if such it can be called, indicated by the resolution | bill. But it also was rejected, Gen. Cass' name ap-

From all this it is apparent that this rumor is simwould puzzle the best geometrician to assign to it any ply a humbug and a slander. It is plainly impossiregular form or to count the number of sides which | ble that, with such a record staring him in the face, it may be made to present. A reference to the Con- Gen. Cass could have written such a letter to Mr. stitution of 1835 will show that the only mode of Nicholson as it is said he has, and we feel confident amendment directly indicated by that instrument is that the falsity of the rumor will soon be proved .by legislative enactment, with ultimate submittal to Why Gen. Cass did not vote for the bill we know not. the people. Indeed the clause providing for this but no same man can suppose, after reading the the question that none but Christians are eligible. mode goes so far as expressly to prohibit all others, above, that it was a desire to remain uncommitted laying it down positively that no part of the Constitu- or to shirk responsibility. If the above avowals and votes could not commit a man nothing on earth could.

The Tchuantepec Treaty.

There is no certainty however.

South Carolina State Convention.

shirk the responsibility of a decision by bringing in by A. V. W. Hewlett, was sold on that day by West the greatest necessity and utility. They must near to value education as an article of honorable to Illinois than to the distinguished states the greatest necessity and utility. They must near to value education as an article of honorable to Illinois than to the distinguished states the greatest necessity and utility. They must near to value education as an article of honorable to Illinois than to the distinguished states. a prior popular vote as one step in the process. That & Hewlett, auctioneers, and purchased by Patrick to satisfy, the Southern members of his party.

Summer has commenced in real earnest .-Additional to all this, the resolution is evidently Saturday and Sunday last were pretty warm-hot Scott's friends are confident of his nomination by pretence and cheat.

Bank of Cape Fear. The election for Directors of the Bank of Cape State and of the individual Stockholders.

Commissioners of Navigation. At the election last Monday, the former Commission-

ply to the address issued by the Southern Whig members. Gen. Scott is the only man who can do that; if he is to speak for himself, Mr. Mangum's speaking will not add to him; if he is not to speak for himself, ardson to the seat in the United States Senate, ren-Mr. Mangum might as well hold his tongue, it will do well Rhett.

In production of rosin on, white capital of security and the production of rosin on the production of rosin of rosin on the producti

And in the second place they are severely exercised in regard to the non-expression of any preference for this change, which have about as solid foundation

the Presidency. We thought that we had already assigned, in a have without piling. former issue, a reason for the omission of our Conas distinctly known as any resolutions could make have become petulant and disappointed, and used as a finality-and require the rigorous and faithful sufficiently account for the comparative indifference ment upon their rights into the position of funda- surpassed for depth of thought and purity of expresserver and the Herald really desire to know the true pers think it necessary to the recognition of their say, however, that the party will support no man whole matter with indifference. who is not pledged to a faithful execution of the Fugitive Slave Law. This much will be distinctly as. lic apathy may be found in the fact that the Hungaand acted upon by our people, while, as a contrast, can cause in Europe no longer has a living existence.

consequently could not so vote.

As for Free Soilers, and all that, the Herald and At the time this law was passed, every justice of the But we have once before gone over this precise ground cling to-some prospect to cheer-none but a fool or and no not feel like exhausting the patience of our a fanatic would waste his efforts or his enthusiasm. Ky., a few days ago, between Dr. Frank Cowan, and

> Whig Convention, in which he said he was willing te pledge Bladen for Fillmore and Graham by a ma-What think the Democrats of old Bladen? Will they

the previous course of the Whig party upon this subject. It is known with what contempt their candiject as they stand upon the record. They certainly ject as they stand upon the record. They certainly there, he can hope for none here.

These are the General's (wn words upon the subject as they stand upon the subject as they stand upon the record. They certainly there, he can hope for none here. These are the General's (wn words upon the sub- honor the draft! Will they give the exact number date, Gov. Manly, and their leading organs at Ral- are in direct contradiction to any such idea as that it or even to go a few hundreds on the other side? there, he can hope for none here. eigh and elsewhere, alluded to what they were pleas- to which currency is endeavored to be given by the Time will show how the Whig majority of sixty-three in Bladen is going to fare.

Resignation of Mr. Rhett.

The Charleston Mercury learns by a dispatch from Columbia, S. C., that Mr. Rhett of South Carolina has resigned his seat in the United States Senate. We cessor until the next session of the South Carolina Legviews had not been borne out by the action of his State, and that therefore, he could not consistently re-

Mr. Louis H. Webb, Front Street below Market,

British Parliament had re-assembled on the 20th, rate the pupil ? of Exchequer had decided against the claim of Alas one of the members from London, thus settling something well; at least, had we not better discipline

Rosas arrived at Queenstown on the 17th.

after to be sent to England or Spain. It is known that some years since a grant was The Commercial of Tuesday last, comes out plain words of the Constitution, is such an inference made by the executive of Mexico to an American for a separate Fillmore and Graham ticket, in the as nothing but overruling necessity or extreme peril company to construct a rail road across the Isthmus event of Gen. Scott's nomination by the Whig Nato the State could justify. Our friends of the oppo- of Tchauntepec. It would seem that this grant was tional Convention. Gen. Scott, that paper says, cansite party, we are aware, regard implied powers with not final, since it requires to give : validity the con- not carry North Carolina let him be nominated by more favor than we do, but we think there is no- firmation of the Mexican Congress. An arrival at whom he may, and this is the opinion of the most thing to justify any stretch of authority in the pres- New Orleans on the 30th, brings the rumor that the intelligent and disinterested Whigs, who have neithent case, even according to their looser habits of bill for this purpose had been rejected by one vote. er faith in his principles, his antecedents, nor his associations. We shall see what we shall see; but we must confess, that we have some doubts about the This body, the members of which were elected du- extent to which the assertions of the Commercial will be borne out. The Democrats will have a fair chance as can be made, but we also believe, that if the Consti- right of secession, but denying the expediency of its tain of success; still we feel confident that even Gen. ture, the power of calling Conventions, it also makes in the State has, no doubt, led them to this concluday-even although all reason for them has ceased to exist. Apart from all this, some attempt will be The property advertised for sale on Saturday last made to patch up some sort of a shingle platform

more. So we go.

The Farmer's Journal,

by John F. Tompkins, M. D., editor and proprietor. dy the evils of our instruction. A FARMER. It is a neatly printed monthly periodical, containing thirty-two large octavo pages in each number, well filled with editorial matter or original communicaers of Navigation: James Cassidey, John Walker, tions, and is offered at the low price of one dollar per getting the worst of it in Montevideo. The presidenannum, in advance. We commend it to the atten- tial chair was allotted to a leading Oribisla. derson. Esqs., were chosen for the ensuing year .-- tion of North Carolina farmers, who would benefit themselves, at the same time that they would con-103-It is rumored that Mr. Mangum is about to re- tribute to build up a home journal of agricultural ed to get rid of his unpaid army.

> It is reported that the Governor of the State of South Carolina has appointed the Hon. J. P. Rich-

Kossath and the Decline of his Popularity. The Fayetteville Observer of the 4th leads off in We have not bothered our readers much lately an article upon our recent District Convention, and with Kossuth and his movements, and therefore hope the Herald of last Wednesday follows suit. The chief to be excused in making a few remarks now upon fault found is with the fact that the resolutions did the apparent change in public opinion respecting preceding year: him-especially since we are tired of reading and hearing day and daily the assignment of reasons for in fact as a railroad laid over Eagle Island would

Of course, Kossuth's first receptions were too noisy vention to allude to the compromise measures. In to last. Such senseless excitement must necessarily the present position of affairs, the stand which the produce some reaction. Perhaps, also, as his bright Southern Democracy have taken upon this subject is anticipations of "material aid" faded away, he may it :-- they will acquiesce in them-insist upon them expressions that injured him. But all this does not execution of the Fugitive Slave Law; but they will with which he is regarded. We have read some of not exalt what they regard as measures of encroach- his recent speeches, in which there are passages unmental principles. If our cotemporaries of the Ob- sion by anything in the language; and yet some paposition of the party upon this subject, as understood claims to wisdom and patriotism, that they should throughout the State, we would refer them to the not only denounce his character but ridicule his inresolutions of our State Convention, which will as- tellect. Demagogues of the same kidney adopt the semble next week in Raleigh. We can distinctly same course towards him, and the public regard the

It seems to us that the real explanation of the pubserted and insisted upon by our State Convention, rian struggle is now finally closed, and the republithe Whig leaders will be lending all their influence. The calm and servile acquiesence of the French people in the usurpation of Louis Napoleon, and the The Herald asks the question :- "Do you endorse complete reaction in Germany and Italy, and where-Mr, Ashr's vote in opposition to both Jackson and ever else republicanism had made a stand, have con-Hillyer's resolution on the subject of the compro- vinced the American people that the time has not mise?" We answer distinctly that viewing these arrived and cannot soon arrive when any rising in resolutions in the light in which Mr. Ashe did, we Hungary, or elsewhere throughout Europe would be such changes as experience has shown to be necessary to a resolution unparliamentary and improper—an at- more hopeless ruin. When Kossuth came to this fair and just enforcement of the provisions of the Constitu-tion for the surrender of fugitive slaves, should be introdu-tempt by Congress to endorse its own acts and thus dictate to the country Besides, Mr. Jackson's reso- oped themselves, nor did the conclusions to be drawn down, among others, four general principles, to which I am lution affirmed a belief in the intention of all sections from them appear so irresistible. The ardent and to carry out all parts of the compromise, and Mr. impulsive might still entertain hopes to which the Ashe could not see the evidences of that intention at presence of Kossuth added strength, while his elothe North in regard to the Fugitive Slave Law, and quence stirring their spirits like the sound of a trumpet, made them oblivious of the dangers and obstacles surrounding the path of European revolution. Such Observer no doubt mean that for a joke-they don't hopes could not now find a place even in the wildest ing .- [Ed. JOURNAL.] really intend that they should be taken seriously. - dream of the imagination, and without some hope to The people of the United States are eminently prac. two brothers named Shelby, in consequence of an tical in their conclusions. They see that Kossuth's Col. McDougald, of Bladen, made a speech at the efforts can have no feasible object in view, and his ties had pistols. Cowan first received a ball through straction; or himself otherwise than as a popular

> Hou. Henry Clay We regret to learn from the Baltimore and Wash- done. The parties are all young men. ington City papers that no hope is entertained of The London Leader draws an instructive lesson military duty, which he promptly and satisfactorily Mr. Clay's recovery. He is gradually sinking, and from the conduct of the brave men who lost their lives discharged. He was also particularly noticed by becoming perceptibly more feeble every day. His

United States Funds.

From the Treasurer's statement it appears that the 26th ult. was \$13.717,468 75. In the Depositoamount subject to draft \$6.606 21.

For the Journal.

Education has laid on our table three pieces of Piano Music-- Public Education in this country runs into two er-The "Temptation Polka," by Theod. La Hache- rors, which are very disastrous in their practical ef-"They Sleep in the Dust," by George F. Root, and feet. The first is, too many pupils to a teacher; and colonial enterprise, pursuing science in the icy deserts western frontiers of this State, in 1812. The histo-Music arranged for the Piano from themes taken the second is very similar-too many studies for a of the north, or lost helpless amid the waters of the ry of that campaign is well known to every reader from Donzetti's comic opera of Don Pasquale, by pupil. Both are fatal to a thorough course of in-Wm. Vincent Wallace. These pieces are published struction, so far as it depends on the teacher. At- dignity undaunted and unconquerable, proclaim to the The brilliant but unfortunate battle of Queenstown in very handsome style, by Wm. Hall & Son, 239, tention and thought are the qualities a youth wants world, and to us at home-who are too doubtful amid was fought on the 13th of October. The plan of it Broadway, and are, no doubt, good in their way, to bring his intellect, with the focal concentration of the intrigues and corruptions, amid the shallow pe- was simple and soldier-like, and if it had been carthough decidedly worse than Greek to us. We a lens, on the subject before it. This attention and would as soon undertake to decipher the inscriptions thought will not be present, unless the teacher can but arouse our slumbering strength, and that despair Col. Solomon Van Rensselaer, contending with greatfrage." which would have been an acknowledgment against themselves, and could not have forwarded against themselves, and could not have forwarded against themselves, and could not have forwarded against themselves. Etruscan, as attempt to read a line of those odd trated when engaged in half dozen things at once. shaped quirlicues which are the symbols of musical Most of the Schools of the present day have from struction, have borne us the tale." expression-of "linked sweetness long drawn out," thirty to forty pupils to a teacher. Suppose it thirty, and there are just twelve minutes per day for the on board, which was run on a reef on the coast of Africa. Rensselaer's troops were obliged to retreat. The Steamship Pacific, arrived at New York teacher to spend on each pupil. Is twelve minutes and parted and sunk before more than 150 of the 600 souls on the 1st, with Liverpool dates of the 21st ult. The per day time enough really to instruct and invigo-

> but nothing of interest had been done. The Court | The multiplication of studies grows out of the progress of knowledge. But since it is certain that we derman Solomons, a Jew, to a seat in Parliament, cannot learn everything, had we not better learn the young with the rigorous study of some real learn-The French Budget shows a deficiency of forty worst of all pupils. They are generally taken from the nominations made by this body. The resolutions millions of francs. French political exiles are here- the Academy or Seminary when young men are just were not furnished to the Register in time for publicabeginning their education. Of course, their car of finish their education soon enough. As soon as Miss | the proceedings of the convention : A. or Miss B gets into her teens, then her mind is so, and the necessary result is a most superficial ed-

> > Many youths live through this vapory system of tility to everything calculated to disturb its integrity. intellectual life, and live to be men of mind and influence. Such men, however, owe more to their na-

Many things have been said on this subject of late, nois democracy upon this question. but in my opinion the remedy lies with the parents. They must learn to value education as an article of be willing to pay for it in the same proportion as of a sovereign State; and should he be selected as the Gen. Houston's friends are beginning to press they would any other necessary of life, and then they

friends of Mr. Webster will now support Mr. Fill- than to the public schools. Indeed, they apply to and patriotism have won him to the last. all the education of this country, except a few select sion ought to be regarded, and it doubtless will be, as We have received the second number of "The means and will to perfect and carry out a sound sys- and the ides of November will show that it is the

> Interesting from South America. Boston, April 30 .- Accounts received in England from Rio Jrneiro mention the belief that Brazil was

In Buenos Ayres the satisfaction was by no means general; for although Urquiza had hitherto acted well, he was not trusted much, and the people wish-General Mansilla, the late commanding efficer of

the troops of Rosas, had reached England.

The following statement will show the amounts of parison with that of the corresponding period of the private bills.

1850-51 1851-59

A COLOR	1850-51.	1851-52.
Yew York	\$24,375,012	\$22,121,112
Boston	. 4,924,400	4,711,473
Philadelphia		2,890,043
New Orleans	. 1,777,682	1,806.471
Baltimore	. 776.380	800,722
Charleston, (S. C.)	. 501,387	455,263
San Francisco		1,779,945
St. Louis	. 142,406	197,990
Portland	. 142.169	180,321
Savannah	. 159,602	113,632
Salem	. 117,976	89,429
Mobile	. 62,398	90,729
Alburg, Vermont	. 57.684	28,422
Oswego	. 56,259	59,746
Buffalo	. 51.240	78.021
Richmond	. 55,468	48.901
New Haven		57,722
Norfolk		34,853
Cleveland		80,052
Cincinnati		87.517
Louisville		41.605
Plattsburg		48,585
Petersburg		65,493
Sandusky		33.580
Eastport	@Y2/12/2	14.163
Gloucester, (Mass.)		14,085
New Bedford		16,763
Providence	. 30,849	22,423
Bristol		11.991
New London		7.781
Rochester		9.377
Lewiston		18,215
Ogdensburg		16.878
Detroit		23.921
Nashville		55.844
Pittsburg, (Penn.)		12.386
Chicago		2,168
Bath	. 11,214	6.683
Wilmington	. 11,270	19,174
Cape Vincent	6.114	15.521
Newburyport	. 3,061	12,530
Georgetown, (D. C.)		12,022
Alexandria, (Va.)		27,686
Sackett's Harbor		12.483
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in those of Philadelphia, Baltimore, and New Or- nounced. We extract the following sketch of his leans. The greatest proportionate increase is in San Francisco. The inland ports generally exhibit

a very large increase.

Terrible Tragedy at Danville, Ky.

A bloody street encounter occurred at Danville. anonymous letter received by Miss Shelby, alleged early age of 18 he was appointed a Cornet in a comto have been written by Cowan, Each of the parspeeches have, therefore, ceased to be regarded in the fleshy part of the leg. from a five barrel revolany other light than as literary efforts upon an ab- ver, fired by Joseph Shelby, and then fired three imes at Shelby, the last taking effect in the neck, the ball passing entirely through, and falling down terrible wound through the lungs, which was suplecturer. The changed aspect of European affairs in his shirt bosom. Shelby staggered in a store posed to be mortal, but which his youth and vigorhas taken the wind out of Kossuth's sails, and with- where his brother Alfred was and fell dead. The ous constitution enabled him to surmount. How he pursued Alfred with a bowie-knife in hand, when greatly from the effects of this wou several persons interfered, and no further harm was

in the Birkenhead. It says:

physicians do not think he can survive many weeks. the happier, which is peopled by souls that can face with that great man. ndeed, his dissolution may be looked for at any time. death and not be corrupted. This great example will After the disbanding of portions of the army the nett amount of money remaining in the different cipline to which these men have testified by their res- ring the respective administrations of his suc-United States Depositories and subject to draft on ignation. It is in trials of action, in familiarity with cessors, Governors George Clinton and Mor-

ocean, the metal of our race is tried, and its temper is familiar with the events of the "Last War," as it is found true. The four hundred who perished thus, in still called. dantries and selfish timidities of our cities-that the ried out in full, would have resulted in a brilliant

The Birkenhead was a British war steamer, with troops superior force, and the fort was retaken, and Van at their posts till the very last moment, and met their fate with calmness and determination. The eatastrophe took place some two or three months since .- [Journal.]

[From the Washington Union.] The Democratic State Convention of Itilnois-Unani- the enemy fled towards the town, and Capt. Wool,

mous Nomination of Senator Douglas. We copy in another column, from the Illinois State ing. Young ladies, in this respect, seem to fare the Register, the central Democratic organ of the State, tion in the sheet from which we copy. We shall transfer them to our columns as soon as they appear. Less than ten or a dozen studies at once would not tracts from the comments of the State Register upon

The country will rejoice at the stand taken by the convention on the subject of the Compromise. It reput on a galloping pace, and the roll of subjects, ceived a full, unqualified, and cordial endorsement. from Grammar and French up to Metaphysics and Let no man hereafter say that the democracy of Illi-Astronomy, is called over each day. Then, to back nois are unsound on this question. Abolitionism and all these, there are Botany, Anatomy, Physiology. and henceforth they will be confined to the factions kindred heresies have received the stamp of reprobation. Music, Harp, Pianos and Guitars, until the young that gave them birth. As a perty, we stand on the woman is sent forth into the world an omnium gath- Baltimore platform, and have repudiated forever the erum of all things. This is true of boys' schools al- narrow and illiberal views which demagogues sought a devoted attachment to the Union, and an abiding hos-

'Upon this action of the convention we congratulate the democracy of the State. It is due to ourselves. and to our friends in other quarters of the Union ; and tive strength and energy than they do to this mode we may now point to the record, which removes all

"The unanimous endorsement of STEPHEN A DOUGLAS as a candidate for the presidency, is not less standard bearer of the party of the Union, we confidentthe cordial support of the party; but no man can com-

"Once more we say, that the action of the convencolleges and academies, where they have both the satisfactory. The will of the party has prevailed, cess, as will insure a victory equal to the most signal that the Illinois democracy have ever achieved. Therefore, let every man who values the supremacy of democratic principles buckle on his armor, and do his atmost to insure a result so much to be desired."

WASHINGTON, MAY 1. The Senate was not in session to-day.

The House was occupied with the consideration of NEW-YORK, May 2d. The Crescent City with California mails to the 5th ult., arrived at her wharf in this port to-day.-

one hundred thousand in the hands of passengers. The floods had entirely subsided in California, and business was rapidly improving. The product of the mines is immense beyond all former example.

She brings two MILLIONS OF GOLD on freight, and

Great Storm and Loss of Life-Supposed Traces of the Steamer President.

HALIFAX, April 30 .-- Accounts from Newfound land state that on the 20th inst., a great gale raged along the coast, in which about fifty sailing vessels.

with crews, were lost. Advices from Bermuda by the 23d report that a large figure head, supposed to have belonged to the steamer President, had been washed ashore at Grenada. Barbadoes.

Arrival of the Steamer United States.

NEW YORK. April 30 .- The steamer United States

The fever at Demarara was abating.

from New Orleans, arrived here this morning in five days and twenty-three hours, the shortest passage on record. Shock of an Earthquake.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 29 .- A severe shock of an carthquake was felt here to-day. shaking violently the doors and windows, and causing quite an excitement throughout town

POLITICAL ONDITS .- It is said Mr. Mangum will publish an address in reply to his southern colleagues in Congress; and that General Scott will shortly publish a letter declaring in favor of all the compromise measures, including the fugitive slave law. FOUND DEAD .- Mr. James Mitchell, an elderly

man and an inmate of the Poor House of this county. was found dead on Friday the 23d ult., on the road leading from this place to the Poor House. A Coroner's Inquest was held over the body, and a verdict rendered of "death from exposure." Fayetteville Carolinian.

Death of Gen. Solomon Van Rensselaer. The death of this gentleman has already been an-

public career from the Albany Register : Gen. Solomon Van Rensselaer was born in the

town of Greenbush, and in the old Genet Mansion. It will be seen from the above that if the direct importa- at the foot of the hill, half a mile back from the rivtions at this port are as yet small, they are rapidly increas- er, and about three miles from this city. His father was Gen. H. K. Van Rensselaer, who fought with great ardor and distinction in the revolutionary war, and was desperately wounded at the battle of Fort

Ann. Washington county, in this State. Gen. Van Rensselaer inherited the military disposition and dauntless heroism of his father. At the pany of Dragoons, mustered in Greenbush, and joincommand of a troop. In the battle of Miami, August, 1794, under "Mad Anthony," he received a when he was commissioned by Gen. Wilkinson, at Philadelphia, to perform a delicate and dangerous Gen. Washington, and raised by him to the command "We do not doubt that country is the stronger and of a squadron of cavalry, after a personal interview

sustain many a man in the face of danger, and the de- took place. General Van Rensselaer was appointvotion of the glorious six hundred will be the means ed Adjutant General of this State, under Govof saving multitudes through that same virtue of dis- ernor John Jay. This appointment he held dudanger, that these qualities come out Calamity is gan Lewis. for nine years during Governor Tompry at Wilmington, gross amount \$8,877 59-nett truly the opportunity which tests the stuff of our kind. kins' administration, and for nearly the whole pe-"And it fails not. In towns, amid shifty doctrines riod of Governor De Witt Clinton's, which latter and one-sided aconomics, we have grown selfish, cor- piriod was subsequent to the time he rendered such rupt and crotchety; our rulers cannot face a frown, important and brilliant service in his country's beand flinch at the bare idea of offending a throned ruf- half, in the capacity of aid to Gen. Stephen Van fian; our leading politicians teach self-interest as the Rensselaer, (the late Patroon.) who was appointed superior substitute for patriotism; but in the far re- by Governor Tompkins to take command of the gions of action and peril, ranging in the wide fields of forces raised for the defence of the northern and

> staple of our race is still unspoiled, that calamity can and decisive victory. As it was, the force under rious six hundred-both to those that perish in their bleeding profusely, but cheered with the shouts of steadfast chivalry, and to those that, mastering de- victory. But the reenforcements neglecting to cross the river at the proper time, the enemy came up in

Ensign Morris was killed, and Capts. Malcolm. Col. Solomon Van Rensselaer received a ball in his hip, which passed out at his spine, two in his thigh, one of which lodged-and which he carried to the day of his death-two in his leg, and a sixth contused his heel. With all these he kept his feet until by his orders, ascended the mountain and carried the battery. During this time he had concealed his wounds under a great coat borrowed from Major Lush; and when the party filed off before him, unable any longer to stand, he fell to the ground, about daylight, among the dying and the dead, and was only prevented from fainting by a crust of bread and knowledge must be made to run with great velocity. Meantime, we lay before our readers the following ex. a cup of water. furnished by one of the former .-While in this situation the shouts of victory reached him from the hill, and remunerated him for all his

Henry Clay.

The Richmond Republican says: We met a few days ago with an old gentleman from Hanover, of the same age with Henry Clay, and who was raised within four miles of Mr. Clay's parental residence. They were also school-mates ogether. The old gentleman said that Henry was one of the best boys he ever knew; that to foist upon our creed. Henceforth our standard will was a quiet, gentlemanly lad—not very smart flort in the breeze, pure and unsullied, proclaiming at marbles but a good deal of the schoolmaster himself, at arithmetic, &c. On being told by a gentleman present that he ought to go to Washington and see Mr. Clay, the veteran replied that he would'nt go to Washington to see the greatest man that was ever created. We could but contrast the natural we may now point to the record, which removes all doubt, if any such existed, of the position of the Illi-Virginia farmer with the servile and man-worshipping spirits which exults in persecuting with its obsequious attentions every distinguished personage of native or foreign growth.

It was suggestive of useful reflection, too, that this old patriarch thought and spoke of Henry Clay, not as the splendid statesman and orator whose influly hope for a majority of fifty thousand to be rolled up name is indelibly stamped upon the history of his his claims as a candidate for the Presidency. Gen. must demand a solid, substantial article, and not a in his favor. Whoever may be nominated will receive country, but as the good and kindly youth whose fine the Whig Convention, although it is said that the These remarks apply as much and more to private pete with Stephen A. Douglas in Illinois. His talents of his school-mates. It is the moral characteristics of Henry Clay, far more than even his genius, which has won for him through his public life such enthusiastic and devoted friendship, which reflects the rays of his setting sun with a purer and more gen-Farmer's Journal," published at Bath, Beaufort co., tem. We hope that time and good sense may remeticket, every democrat can go into the contest, with a these traits which he himself will most prize as he ticket, every democrat can go into the contest with a descends into the tomb; and which are more valuable than talents and learning before that tribunal which dispenses its rewards and punishments according to the virtues of the heart and not the gifts of

WOODEN NUTMEGS OUTDONE .- The Paris correspondent of the National Intelligencer gives us some laugh-IMPROVED LOCOMOTIVES .- Two large and powerful able information. It appears that the French have locomotives, with seven feet driving wheels, are learned to make counterfeit coffee berries of worthless now being constructed at the machine shops of the flour. The paste or dough is, by means of moulds Reading Railroad Company, a ter plans by Mr. Mill-skilfully prepared, made to assume the shape of grains holland, (formerly of Baltimore,) and under his immediate superintendence. They will embrace his new to suit the tastes of buyers. The artificial grain is then MANUFACTURE OF ROSIN OIL -Messrs. Desilver & and important improvement for burning anthracite baked till it takes the color of parched coffee, and re-Co have erected a manufactory at Chester, Pa., for the production of rosin oil, with a capital of \$200,000. It is expected they will run the train through tailed as such, with great profit, in the grocery stores. The practice, very general in France, of buying from